GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
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Pollution by Non-Biodegradable Pesticides
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has collected data on the pollution caused by the use of non- biodegradable pesticides/insecticides and weedicides;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government is keeping a check on the pollution caused by non- biodegradable pesticides/insecticides and weedicides; and
(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the corrective action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)
(a)&(b) As reported by the Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi, the data on pollution caused by use of non-biodegradable pesticides/insecticides and weedicides are not collected.

(c) & (d) The pesticides/insecticides and weedicides registered in India are monitored for half life of their persistence in environment. The newly registered pesticides/insecticides and weedicides have short half life and therefore do not leave adverse effect on nature. The use of pesticides does not cause any pollution problem unless used in excess quantities and not as per the method recommended. The farmers are advised to use pesticides as per recommended quantities and method. The corrective actions are taken by using bioremediation techniques.

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